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AMENDMENT

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

- 1-9. Canceled.
- 10. (Currently amended) A purified polypeptide comprising SEQ ID NO:5, SEQ ID NO:6, SEQ ID NO:7, SEQ ID NO:8, SEQ ID NO:9, SEQ ID NO:10, or a combination thereof.
- 11. (Previously presented) A composition comprising the polypeptide of claim 10.
- 12-15. Canceled.
- 16. (Currently amended) A method of inducing an antigenic response in a subject which comprises administering to the subject at least one CssA-protein, at least one CssB protein, or both the polypeptide of claim 10.
- 17. (Currently amended) The method of claim 16, wherein the CssA protein the CssB protein, or both are polypeptide is administered in the form of a host that expresses the CssA protein, the CssB protein, or both polypeptide.
- 18.(Currently amended) The method of claim 16, wherein the host is a bacterial strain.
- 19. (Currently amended) The method of claim 18, wherein the bacterial strain is attenuated or killed.
- 20. (Currently amended) The method of claim 16, wherein the CssA protein, the CssB protein, or both are polypeptide is administered to the subject in the form of a food or a drink.
- 21. (Currently amended) The method of claim 20, wherein the drink is a carbonated beverage.

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- 22. (Currently amended) The method of claim 16, wherein the CssA protein, the CssB protein, or both are polypeptide is orally administered.
- 23-24. Canceled.
- 25. (Currently amended) An antigenic composition comprising at least one CasA protein the polypeptide of claim 10.
- 26. (Currently amended) The antigenic composition of claim 25, and further comprising at least one CssB protein.
- 27-30. Canceled.
- 31. (New) The purified polypeptide of claim 10, encoded by SEQ ID NO:4.